

Title 15: Mississippi Department of Health

Part 14: General Sanitation

Subpart 70: General Sanitation Regulations

Chapter 1 REGULATION GOVERNING THE CONTROL OF FLIES, MOSQUITOES, RATS, AND OTHER VERMIN

Rule 1.1.1 No person, firm, or corporation shall maintain or create a condition which, in the opinion of the Health Officer, is conducive to the breeding, feeding, or harboring of flies, mosquitoes, rats, or other vermin in sufficient numbers to create a public health hazard.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. 41-3-17

Chapter 2 REGULATION GOVERNING PUBLIC TOILETS

Rule 2.1.1 **Definition.** A "public toilet" is defined as any toilet room provided for the general public in a theater, service station, public hall, courthouse, bus station, depot or similar public place.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-25-1

Rule 2.1.2 **Construction.** All toilet rooms shall be constructed of sound material and kept clean and free of insects and rodents. Walls and ceiling shall be of light color. Floors shall be constructed of impervious material free from defects. Adequate light and ventilation shall be provided.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-25-1

Rule 2.1.3 **Plumbing and Plumbing Fixtures.** The plumbing and plumbing fixtures shall be installed in compliance with good plumbing practices, maintained in good repair and kept clean. Hand-washing facilities, provided with soap and individual towels, shall be provided in each toilet room. Wastes from public toilets shall be disposed of in compliance with the Regulation Governing Disposal of Human Excreta and Other Liquid Wastes. (Note: Superseded by the Regulation Governing Individual Onsite Wastewater Disposal Systems.)

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-25-1

Rule 2.1.4 **Responsibility.** It shall be the duty of the owner, manager or custodian to see that this regulation is complied with.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-25-1

Chapter 3 REGULATION GOVERNING ROCK FESTIVALS

Subchapter 1 Definitions

Rule 3.1.1 **Rock Festival** shall mean an actual, or a reasonably foreseeable, assembly of 1,000 or more people which does or did continue, or can reasonably be expected to continue, for a period of 18 or more consecutive hours at which the principal source of entertainment is, was, or will be musical in nature.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.1.2 **Person** shall mean an individual or a firm, partnership, company, corporation, trustee, association, or any public or private entity.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.1.3 **Health Officer** shall mean an official representative of the Mississippi State Board of Health or any county health officer or his authorized representative.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.1.4 **Refuse** shall mean garbage, rubbish, and all other putrescible and non-putrescible waste, except sewage.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Subchapter 2 Plans and Specifications

Rule 3.2.1 Any person desiring to hold, sponsor, or supervise a rock festival in the State of Mississippi shall submit plans and specifications for such event to the State Board of Health at least 18 days prior to the commencement of the festival. The plans and specifications shall contain complete information regarding location of the festival, water supply, toilet and handwashing facilities, sewage disposal system, drainage, refuse storage and disposal, food service, medical facilities, insect and noxious weed control, fire protection, and sleeping areas and facilities. Also, information shall be given as to the calendar dates of the festival, the maximum number of persons who will be permitted to attend the event, the maximum number of hours or days it will be held, the name and address of the person or persons requesting certification from the State Board of Health, and such other pertinent information as the Board shall find necessary.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Subchapter 3 Festival Area

Rule 3.3.1 **Premises.** The premises where any rock festival is to be held shall be kept free of refuse, waste materials, rodent infestations, insect breeding places, noxious weeds, and other objectionable conditions.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.3.2 **Fences.** Adequate fences shall be provided where necessary to prevent easy access to areas or conditions that may be hazardous to health and safety.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.3.3 **Festival Site.** The festival site shall be well drained and not immediately adjacent to any marshy area. No festival shall be held on a site located on the watershed of a domestic or public water supply so as to create a pollution hazard. The site shall provide adequate space commensurate with the purpose and number of people attending.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.3.4 **Roads.** The festival site shall be provided with a network of interior roads that are to be kept clear at all times for emergency vehicles and so that trucks and other vehicles can properly service all facilities and refuse pick-up stations. Provisions shall be made for adequate traffic control measures that will preclude hazards to both vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.3.5 **Parking Area.** An adequate and properly designated parking area shall be provided for the parking of all vehicles. The parking area shall be well separated from the medical facilities, entertainment area, foodhandling facilities, and other designated areas.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.3.6 **Sleeping Area.** Adequate and clearly designated camping and sleeping areas that will not result in overcrowding shall be provided. The camping, pitching of a tent, or sleeping in the entertainment or medical treatment area shall not be permitted.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.3.7 **Lighting.** Adequate artificial light shall be provided for the medical facilities area, toilet areas, shower areas, service areas, walkways, and other areas where needed.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Subchapter 4 Sanitary Facilities

Rule 3.4.1 **Water Supply.** The water supply shall be adequate, of a safe and sanitary quality, and from an approved source. There shall be no physical connection

between the approved water supply and water from any other source. Adequate drinking water outlets shall be provided.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.4.2 **Sewage disposal.** All sewage and liquid waste shall be disposed of in compliance with the Mississippi State Board of Health Regulation Governing Disposal of Human Excreta and Other Liquid Wastes. Any treatment facility or discharge therefrom shall be in compliance with all appropriate state laws.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.4.3 **Toilet Facilities.** There shall be provided at each rock festival adequate and conveniently located toilet facilities. Toilet rooms and toilet room fixtures shall be kept clean and in good repair. Toilet tissue shall be provided in all toilet rooms at all times. Separate toilet facilities shall be provided for each sex.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.4.4 **Drinking Fountains.** A common drinking utensil shall not be provided or allowed. Any drinking fountain shall be of approved sanitary design and construction.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.4.5 **Handwashing Facilities.** Adequate handwashing facilities, including lavatory equipped with running water, soap, and individual paper towels, shall be provided at all rock festivals. Such facilities shall be convenient to the foodhandling areas and toilet areas.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.4.6 **Showers.** Any festival that can be expected to continue for a period of more than 48 hours shall provide adequate showers that are conveniently located and separate for each sex. Showers shall be properly screened for privacy and supplied with potable water only.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.4.7 **Refuse.** Adequate garbage containers, conveniently located, shall be provided at all rock festivals, and the Mississippi State Board of Health Regulation Governing Disposal of Refuse shall be complied with at all times.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.4.8 **Insect Control.** Effective measures shall be utilized to properly control insects so that they will not become a nuisance or a public health hazard.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Subchapter 5 Medical Facilities

Rule 3.5.1 **Doctors and Nurses.** An adequate staff of physicians and nurses, licensed and qualified to practice in Mississippi, shall be on duty at all times during the event.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.5.2 **Medical Facilities.** Adequate medical treatment facilities shall be provided, with a complete inventory of emergency medical supplies on hand at all times. An ambulance shall be available for the transfer of patients to a hospital.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Rule 3.5.3 **Communicable Disease Control.** The physician in charge shall immediately report to the county health officer any case or suspected case of communicable or reportable disease which he is attending, has examined, or of which he has knowledge. Such report shall include the patient's name, address, age, race, sex, the suspected disease, and the date of the onset of the disease. No person having or being suspected of having a communicable or infectious disease shall attend or be permitted to attend any rock festival or be allowed on the site where the festival is to be held.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Subchapter 6 Food Service

Rule 3.6.1 All food service equipment and foodhandling establishments shall comply with the Mississippi State Board of Health Regulation Governing Food and Foodhandling Establishments.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Subchapter 7 Fire Protection

Rule 3.7.1 All areas and buildings on the festival site shall conform to the requirements established by the laws of Mississippi and the regulations and standards issued by the State Fire Marshal.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Subchapter 8 Maintenance of Site

Rule 3.8.1 All sites where rock festivals are held and all facilities provided shall be maintained in a clean, safe, and sanitary condition. At the close of the festival, the sponsors or persons in charge shall have all rubbish removed from the premises and leave the site in a clean and sanitary condition.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Subchapter 9 Other Agencies

Rule 3.9.1 All appropriate law enforcement agencies shall be properly notified regarding the proposed festival.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 45-21-11

Chapter 4 REGULATION GOVERNING SANITATION OF HOTELS AND MOTELS

Subchapter 1 Purpose

Rule 4.1.1 The purpose of this chapter is to set forth standards of general sanitation for all hotels as defined in this Regulation.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Subchapter 2 Authority

Rule 4.2.1 These regulations are promulgated under the authority of Section 41-49-1 through 41-49-9, MS Code of 1972, Annotated.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Subchapter 3 Definitions

Rule 4.3.1 **Hotel/Motel.** The term hotel or motel shall mean and include any hotel, inn, motel, tourist court, apartment house, rooming house or other place where sleeping accommodations are furnished or offered for pay, if four (4) or more rooms are available therein for transient guests, excluding nursing homes or institutions for the aged or infirm as described in Section 43-11-1 (MS Code) and personal care homes as defined in Section 43-45-5(1) (MS Code).

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Subchapter 4 Conditions of Building

Rule 4.4.1 **Building Interior.** Walls, ceilings, floors, carpets, furniture, and equipment of all rooms in any such hotel/motel including halls and stairs, shall be kept clean and in good repair.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Rule 4.4.2 **Building Exterior.** All roofs and outside walls, doors and windows shall be maintained in good repair.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Rule 4.4.3 **Heating and Cooling System.** The heating system shall be properly installed and maintained in good repair and shall be capable of maintaining a temperature of at least 68 degrees Fahrenheit in each sleeping room whenever occupied. The cooling system, if any, shall be properly installed and maintained in good repair.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Rule 4.4.4 **Ventilation**

- 1 Sleeping and toilet rooms shall have sufficient ventilation to keep them free from steam condensation, excessive heat vapors, smoke, fumes or noxious odors.
- 2 Rooms or units without a mechanical cooling system shall have an operable screened window (sixteen mesh screen) for natural ventilation or a transom exhausting 20 cfm of air.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Rule 4.4.5 **Lighting.** Natural and artificial lighting for general cleaning purposes and safety of guests shall be at least 10 footcandles in guest rooms, stairways, hallways, and storage areas. Lighting in reading areas of guest rooms shall be at least 30 footcandles.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Rule 4.4.6 **Toilet and Bathing Facilities**

- 1 Each hotel/motel shall be provided with adequate and conveniently located toilet and bathing facilities. Except for hotels constructed before the effective date of this regulation, toilet and bathing facilities shall be provided for each sleeping room. Toilets and bathing facilities, including rooms and fixtures, shall be of sanitary design, easily cleanable, kept in good repair, and shall be cleaned and disinfected daily. Toilet tissue shall be provided, and new soap shall be provided after each guest occupancy. Easily cleanable receptacles shall be provided for waste materials.
- 2 Anti-slip tubs, adequate slip strips, appliques, or slip-proof mats shall be provided in each bathing facility and shall be kept clean and in good repair.
- 3 Each hotel/motel shall provide adequate, conveniently located hand-washing facilities at each toilet and bathroom including a lavatory or lavatories equipped with hot and cold or tempered running water, hand-cleansing soap and towels. Individual single-service towels or a hot-air hand-drying device shall be provided in restrooms in public areas. Such facilities shall be kept clean and in good repair.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Subchapter 5 Linen, Beds, and Bedding

- Rule 4.5.1 Blankets, sheets, pillows, pillow cases, towels, wash cloths, and bath mats shall be provided, and laundered, stored and distributed in a sanitary manner. All body contact linen shall be changed when there is a new occupant. Soiled linens shall be so handled and stored as not to come in contact with clean linens.
- 1 Beds and mattresses shall be clean and in good repair. Washable mattress pads or covers shall be used on all mattresses and shall be kept clean.
 - 2 Each bed shall be provided with a minimum of 2 sheets, 1 pillow, 1 pillow case, and sufficient blankets or coverings for warmth. A minimum of 1 towel and 1 washcloth per person shall be provided.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Subchapter 6 Water and Sewage

- Rule 4.6.1 Enough potable water for the needs of the hotel/motel shall be provided from a source meeting all requirements of the Health Authority. The potable water system shall be installed to preclude the possibility of backflow. There shall be no cross connections between the potable water supply and any unsafe or questionable water supply, or any source of pollution through which the potable water might become contaminated. All sewage, including liquid waste, shall be disposed of by a public sewerage system or by a sewage disposal system meeting all requirements of the Mississippi State Department of Health Regulation Governing Individual Onsite Wastewater Disposal Systems and/or regulations of the Mississippi Department of Natural Resources.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Subchapter 7 Food, Ice, Glasses

- Rule 4.7.1 All food services operated in conjunction with a hotel/motel must be permitted under the Mississippi State Department of Health Regulation Governing Food Service Sanitation. If a Bed and Breakfast Inn in a private home meeting the definition of a hotel/motel under this regulation serves only non-potentially hazardous foods such as breads, coffee, fruits, juices, etc., a Food Service Sanitation permit is not required.
- 1 All ice shall be purchased from a source complying with the Mississippi State Department of Health Regulation Governing the Manufacture, Storage, and Handling of Ice or produced and stored at the hotel/motel in a clean and sanitary manner. Multi-use ice buckets shall be collected from the rooms and sanitized for each new guest.

- 2 Multi-use glasses shall be collected daily, washed, rinsed, sanitized, and wrapped in a sanitary manner before being replaced in the room. Single service drinking cups shall be individually wrapped or dispensed in a sanitary manner.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Subchapter 8 Communicable Disease

- Rule 4.8.1 Personnel. No person having a contagious or infectious disease shall be employed in or frequent any hotel/motel until such person shall submit to the employer evidence satisfactory to the health officer of freedom of contagion.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

- Rule 4.8.2 No person having open, oozing or weeping lesions of the skin on any exposed part of the body shall be employed unless such lesion(s) are completely covered by adequate bandages or other appropriate dressing(s). Employees shall wear clean outer garments and conform to good hygienic practices.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

- Rule 4.8.3 Rooms. It shall be the duty of every person keeping, managing, or operating a hotel/motel to see that every room which has been occupied by any person known to the keeper, manager, or operator to have had communicable disease at the time of such occupancy, together with its contents, shall be thoroughly disinfected in a manner prescribed by the health officer before permitting such room to be occupied by any other person.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Subchapter 9 Fire Escape

- Rule 4.9.1 Every hotel/motel shall comply with the requirements of the NFPA - Life Safety Code regarding fire exits and fire safety.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Subchapter 10 Refuse and Vector Control

- Rule 4.10.1 Refuse shall be stored, collected and disposed of in a manner which prevents the breeding of flies and other vermin. Containers shall be cleaned at such frequency as to prevent a nuisance or odor.

- 1 All outside premises shall be maintained free of litter and unnecessary articles, and shall be well drained.
- 2 Openings to the outside shall be effectively protected against the entrance of insects and rodents.

- 3 Effective measures intended to control the presence of rodents and insects on the premises shall be utilized. Pesticides shall be properly stored and identified, and shall be used only in such manner as will not constitute a hazard to employees or guests.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-49-1

Chapter 5 REGULATION GOVERNING BARBERING, BARBER SHOPS AND BARBER SCHOOLS

Subchapter 1 INTRODUCTION

Rule 5.1.1 It is hereby ordered that the Sanitary Regulations Governing Barbering, Barber Shops, Barber Colleges and Beauty Parlors, adopted by the Mississippi State Board of Health on July 15, 1930, amended May 13, 1931, and August 13, 1934, be repealed and the following regulation be adopted:

1. All barber shops and barber schools shall be open for inspection during business hours to official representatives of the State Board of Health.
2. All barber shops and barber schools must be supplied with adequate running hot and cold water, under pressure, from an approved supply. All barber shops and barber schools located on streets or alleys where a public sanitary sewer system is available shall have a sewer connection to such sewer system into which all liquid waste shall be disposed. Where a public sanitary sewer system is not available, all liquid waste shall be disposed of in a manner approved by the Health Officer.
3. All barber shops, barber schools and all furnishings, equipment, tools, floors, walls and ceilings shall be kept clean and in good repair at all times. Hair must be promptly swept from the floor and put in a closed container or taken from the room. Soiled lather paper and soiled towels shall be kept in separate receptacles. The head-rest of each chair must be covered with clean paper only and this paper, once used, must be discarded. A clean towel or a fresh strip of paper must be placed around each patron's neck so that the hair cloth does not come in contact with the skin. Such material once used shall be discarded. Spitting on the floor is prohibited. If cuspidors are used, they must be thoroughly cleaned at least once daily and a small amount of water, preferably some good disinfectant solution, must be kept in them at all times. All barber shops and barber schools shall be well lighted and ventilated.
4. In each barber shop or barber school, there shall be provided receptacles for soiled towels. Each barber shall, immediately after the completion of the service to a customer, place the towel or towels used on each customer in such receptacle and no towel shall be withdrawn from such receptacles and used on any customer until the towel has been properly laundered. No soiled towels shall be left on the lavatory, barber chair or back bar.

5. One of the following approved methods of disinfecting must be available for use at all times:
- a. Immersion in boiling water or steam for at least five minutes.
 - b. Immersion for at least five minutes in bathing or grain alcohol (70%).
 - c. Immersion for ten minutes in 1 per cent solution Liquor Cresolis Compound.
 - d. Immersion for one minute in hexylresorcinol (S. T. 37).
 - e. Immersion for one minute in Metaphen (1 to 1000).
 - f. Immersion for one minute in Mercuric Cyanide (1 to 5000).
 - g. Immersion for one minute in solution Merthiolate (1 to 10010).
 - h. Immersion for one minute in I per cent solution Beniodide of Mercury.
 - i. Immersion for two minutes in Chlorine solution containing 200 parts per million of Chlorine.
 - j. Ultra violet ray cabinets may be used but will not be accepted as approved disinfecting devices.
 - k. All disinfected instruments and brushes when not in use shall be kept in a clean cabinet which is used for these articles only.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-3-17

Rule 5.1.2 For lathering, a good mechanical latherizer or hand-applied shaving cream is recommended. If shaving brushes are used they must be thoroughly cleaned after each usage.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-3-17

Rule 5.1.3 Any styptic, caustic or other local medication used in stopping the flow of blood or for any other purpose must be used in powder or liquid form and should be applied with a portion of a clean towel or face cloth. Use of alum, pencils or any styptic in solid form is prohibited.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-3-17

Rule 5.1.4 No barber, barber apprentice, barber student, cashier, bootblack, manicurist or any person having gonorrhea, syphilis, tuberculosis, trench mouth, barber's itch, ringworm or any other communicable disease, or who has been recently exposed to a quarantinable disease, shall be permitted to practice barbering or perform any other labor or duties in any barber shop or barber school. To satisfy this section

each barber, barber apprentice, barber student, cashier, bootblack and manicurist shall be required to submit satisfactory evidence of freedom from any communicable disease as often as may be deemed necessary by the State Health Officer. A Patron having a suspicious eruption or other sign of any communicable disease shall not be served.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-3-17

Rule 5.1.5 There shall be no direct connection between a sleeping room and a barber shop.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-3-17

Rule 5.1.6 It shall be the duty of the head barber or manager of each barber shop or barber school to make certain that all employees know and observe these regulations.

SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. § 41-3-17